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SUBJECT: DFU TIMES PROTEST TO NEUTRON BOMB TO COINCIDE WITH THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO FRG

**REF: BONN 12581** 

1. BREMEN CHAPTER OF THE DEUTSCHE FRIEDENS UNION (DFU) HAD REQUESTED, BY LETTER, AN APPOINTMENT WITH CONSUL GENERAL TO DELIVER A PETITION AGAINST THE NEUTRON BOMB AND TO HOLD A BRIEF DISCUSSION. WE RESPONDED THAT WE WERE NOT ABLE TO MEET WITH THEM BUT THEY COULD SEND THE PETITION TO US BY CONFIDENTIAL

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MAIL. DFU REPLIED INDICATING WILLINGNESS TO MAIL THEIR PETITION BUT REITERATING THEIR REQUEST TO MEET WITH CONSUL GENERAL OR CONSULATE REPRESENTATIVE.

2. MIDDAY JULY 12 BREMEN LFV AND POLICE NOTIFIED CONSULATE OF DFU INTENTION TO DELIVER PETITION TO CONSULATE AT 1600 JULY 12. A TEN-MAN DFU DELEGATION APPEARED AT THE

CONSULATE AND DELIVERED A LETTER ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT CARTER WHICH OUTLINES THE OBJECTIONS TO THE PRODUCTION OF THE NEUTRON BOMB AND ITS STATIONING IN GERMANY. IT ALSO PROTESTS THE PLANNED STATIONING OF A U.S. BRIGADE AT GARLSTEDT, IN THE VICINITY OF BREMEN. THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE GROUP, ONE EKKEHARD LENTZ-FRIE, ALSO DISPLAYED A PETITION AGAINST THE NEUTRON BOMB ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT CARTER AND CHANCELLOR HELMUT SCHMIDT. LENTZ-FRIE CLAIMED 2,000 SIGNATURES HAD BEEN OBTAINED IN BREMEN AND SAID THAT THE DFU WOULD ATTEMPT TO PRESENT THE PETITION TO PRESIDENT CARTER AND CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT IN BONN SOMETIME DURING THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT.

- 3. ONE MEMBER OF THE GROUP CLAIMING TO BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DFG-VK (DEUTSCHE FRIEDENSGESELLSCHAFT-VEREINIGTE KRIEGSDIENSTGEGNER E.V.) ALSO PRESENTED A LETTER TO PRESIDENT CARTER ON BEHALF OF ITS 400 MEMBERS PROTESTING THE NEUTRON BOMB; A THIRD MEMBER OF THE GROUP REPRESENTING THE ASTA (ALLGEMEINER STUDENTENAUSSCHUSS) AT BREMEN UNIVERSITY PRESENTED A SIMILAR LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT. A FOURTH LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT FROM THE VVN (VEREINIGUNG DER VERFOLGTEN DES NAZIREGIMES BUND DER ANTIFASCHISTEN E.V. BREMEN) WAS RECEIVED BY THE CONSULATE THROUGH MAIL ON JULY 13.
- 4. THE DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED POSTERS OPPOSING THE NEUTRON CONFIDENTIAL

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BOMB. THE PRESENTATION OF THE LETTERS LASTED APPROXIMATELY TEN MINUTES. BREMEN POLICE WERE ON HAND BUT THERE WAS NO INCIDENT.

5. THE LETTERS ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT CARTER HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO AMEMBASSY BONN, WITH COPIES TO EUR/CE. SCHIFFMAN

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